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Sanitary report from Ponce.

PONCE, PORTO RICO, *July 10, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to inclose herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health reports for the week ended July 8. Nothing of interest has happened among the shipping of this port during the week, and the general health of Ponce continues as before. There are no new cases of infectious diseases reported for the week.

Respectfully, yours, C. H. LAVINDER,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Sanitary report from San Juan.

SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO, *July 7, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following consolidated report of the Service at this port for the month ended June 30, 1899: Number of births, 54; number of births, June, 1898, comparative, 42; number of deaths, 65; number of deaths, June, 1898, comparative, 49. A list of the causes of deaths is inclosed herewith. Number of vessels inspected, 35; number of vessels inspected, June, 1898, comparative, 6; number of vessels in observation quarantine, 2; number of vessels held in quarantine, 2; number of pieces of baggage disinfected, 100; number of vaccinations, 22; number of certificates viséd, 110.

The 2 vessels held in quarantine were the United States transports *McClellan* and *Logan*, they having arrived here from New York via Santiago, the *McClellan* having on board 2 cases of malarial fever, and it was placed in quarantine to complete the five days, as was also the *Logan*. These vessels did not observe the usual route, which this Service succeeded in establishing in the early winter, but it was altered for some military reason.

There was some opposition to their quarantine, but the wisdom of my action has been demonstrated by the recent development of yellow fever at Santiago. General Ludington cabled the military governor that no more transports would touch here from Santiago, and General Davis furnished this office with a copy.

An extract from the monthly meteorological report, kindly furnished this office by Dr. R. M. Geddings, section observer, shows the following: Highest temperature for month, 91; lowest temperature for month, 71; average temperature for month, 81; total precipitation for month, 7.23 inches. The report is inclosed herewith.

Respectfully, yours, A. H. GLENNAN,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S., In Command.

[Inclosure.]

VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 1899.

Anæmia	4
Bronchitis	2
Intestinal colic	2
Cirrhosis of the liver	1
Cholera infantum	1
Carcinoma of the uterus	1
Acute meningitis	2
Diabetes mellitus	1
Cardiac hypertrophy	1
Old age	3
General sclerosis	2

Vital statistics, etc.—Continued.

Cardiac steatosis	1
Chronic enteritis	3
Entero-colitis	1
Malaria	3
Aortic insufficiency	2
Gangrene (old age)	1
La grippe	1
Hydræmia	1
Strangulated hernia	1
Internal hemorrhage (due to rupture of abdominal aorta)	1
Hepatic abscess	1
Mitral insufficiency	2
Acute laryngitis	1
Stillborn	9
Nephritis	1
Peritonitis	1
Acute pneumonia	1
Rachitis	5
Pulmonary tuberculosis	6
Tetanus infantum	1
Total	63
June, 1898—	
Births	42
Deaths	49
June, 1899—	
Births	54
Deaths	65